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Appl. No. 10/002,158; Filed: December 5, 2001

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Inventors:

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- 1. PTO Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17;
- 2. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 3. List of cited references on Form PTO-1449 (2 sheets);
- 4. A copy of each reference cited on Form PTO-1449 (7 documents: **AL1-AN1 and AT11-AT12**);
- 5. Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038; and
- 6. One (1) return postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

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Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 25, 2002, in connection with the above-captioned application. A copy of each document is also provided.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3), Applicants' undersigned representative submits the following, concise explanations of the relevance of the non-English language documents AL1 and AN1 cited on Form PTO 1449:

Document AL1, Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2-291300, is in the Japanese language. An unverified English language translation of document AL1 is attached as document AT11.

Document AN1, Japanese Patent No. JP 2837429, is in the Japanese language. An unverified English language translation of document AN1 is attached therein.

Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

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This First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a Final Rejection, or Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

Attached is our PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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